

**Becket Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 4th, 2013**

Board of Health Members Present: Gale LaBelle, Laurel Burgwardt , Howard Lerner.

Board of Health Members Absent : None.

Public Present: Mark Christensen, Colleen O' Connor, Jeanne Pryor, Dave Duquette, Mark Christensen, Kathy Christensen.

Meeting opens at: 10: 08 am

Ms. LaBelle calls the meeting to order at 10: 08 am and announces that agendas are on the table for anyone who wants one. She advises that this meeting is being held in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws regarding public health and safety , regulations of the Department of Public health and the department of Environmental Protection as well as the By-Laws of the Town of Becket. All decisions require approval of a majority of the quorum of the Board of Health members present. Motions ending in a tie will not be acted upon until such a time as a majority can be achieved. In unusual cases, the rule of necessity may be invoked to reach a decision. Ms. LaBelle further advises that it is her responsibility under the open meeting law, to ask if anyone is making a video or audio recording of the meeting, Heather Hunt advises Ms. LaBelle that she is making an audio recording. Ms. LaBelle introduces herself as well as the other members of the Board to all present.

Review and Approval of October 2nd , 2013 Meeting Minutes- Board members read and review minutes as presented. Mr. Lerner makes minor changes. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Ms. LaBelle seconds motion, Ms. Burgwardt abstains. October 2nd meeting minutes are approved as amended.

Review and Approval of October 16th, 2013 Meeting Minutes- Board members read and review minutes as presented. Mr. Lerner makes minor changes. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to approve meeting minutes as amended, Ms. LaBelle seconds motion; Unanimous Approval.

Review and Approval of November 6th, 2013 Meeting Minutes- Board members read and review minutes as presented. Mr. Lerner makes minor changes. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to approve minutes as amended, Ms. LaBelle seconds motion, Unanimous Approval.

Public Participation- David Duquette advises that he is working at 334 Winter Drive and that he has been waiting for a certificate of compliance from the Board of Health for a tight tank. Ms. Burgwardt advises that they are still waiting on the deed restriction to be filed at the registry of deeds and cannot move ahead until that happens.

Ms. Colleen O' Connor advises that she is at today's meeting to speak of an issue with a property (Map 202 Lot 49) She goes on to explain that at this property, she does not understand how it would ever pass a Title V inspection and asks if this may be another case of *grandfathering*. Colleen expresses concern for the property and the fact that it was just purchased for \$400,000 and further questions , what will happen when the well on the property fails.

Ms. O'Connor states that there have been countless issues with similar situations and it seems like the grandfathering issue is always a large part of it. Ms. O' Connor presents the Title V report to the Board of Health members for their review, stating that it is situations such as this that compromise the entire real estate market in the Town of Becket .

Mr. Lerner suggests that the Board of Health should speak with the Health Agent and get some answers to these very important questions.

Old Business- Update and Review of Percolation Tests, Title V's- Ms. Burgwardt advises that there is nothing to report at this time.

Ms. LaBelle reports that she did speak with Mr. Charlie Kinecki regarding the pigs, however she further reports that when she returned to the site of the pigs, they were gone and she was informed that they had been slaughtered.

New Business- Systems Control, Establishing Protocol- Review of Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Lerner makes a motion to table the discussion until the next regularly scheduled meeting, Ms. Burgwardt seconds motion, discussion is tabled until next month's meeting.

Review of any plans submitted- 23 Tecumsah Drive- Mark Christensen advises that Conservation Commission has approved the plans he has submitted . Mr. Christensen also requests a copy of the sign-off sheet for John Murray . Board members read and review the plans submitted for Tecumsah Drive, Ms. Burgwardt makes a motion to approve the plans as submitted, Mr. Lerner seconds the motion; Unanimous Approval.

Review of ZBA Application for 186 Green Water Drive- Board of Health members briefly review but run short on time. Mr. Lerner makes a motion to table the application discussion until a later meeting date, Ms. Burgwardt seconds motion; discussion is tabled.

Correspondence- Read and Reviewed

Budget- Read and Reviewed

Any other business to come before the board-

Schedule next meeting for Wednesday January 15th, 2014._ _

11:32 am –Mr. Lerner makes a motion to adjourn the meeting , Ms. Burgwardt seconds the motion; Meeting is adjourned at 11:27 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Hunt
Administrative Assistant

Signed_____ Date_____
Gale LaBelle

Signed_____ Date_____
Laurel Burgwardt

Signed_____ Date_____
Howard Lerner